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DRUG SEIZURE IN CASEYVILLE

Randy G. Massey, Acting United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that during the early morning hours of May 10, 2006, **GIGIMAN G. HAMILTON**, age 32, of Florida, and **ROHAN G. HERON**, age 32, of Massachusetts, were arrested while traveling in a tractor-trailer, leaving the parking lot of a Caseyville restaurant. A search of the tractor-trailer resulted in the seizure of 28 kilograms of cocaine and more than 1300 pounds of marihuana. The subjects were charged today by the United States Attorney's Office in a one (1) count complaint charging them with Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine and Marihuana. The individuals charged face from 10 years to life in federal prison, and a \$4,000,000 fine. The individuals charged will appear in Federal Court in the Southern District of Illinois (East St. Louis) sometime tomorrow.

A complaint is a formal charge against a defendant. Under the law, a defendant is presumed to be innocent of a charge until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury.

Quick action by the Caseyville Police Department resulted in the seizure which forms the basis of this charge. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark R. Niemeyer.